Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, According to the Amateur Softball Association of America, nearly thirty million Americans enjoy the exciting sport of softball, one of the few team sports that both young and old can play; and,

WHEREAS, On Thanksgiving Day in 1887, the sport of softball emerged when members of a Chicago boat club tied an old boxing glove into a ball, and they spent an entire wintry afternoon with an indoor version of baseball; and,

WHEREAS, Today, softball has become a challenging and popular sport because of the size of the ball, the distance between the bases, and the intriguing strategy required to overcome the opponent; and,

WHEREAS, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, has been selected as the site of the Amateur Softball Association Boys 15 and Under Junior Olympic Fastpitch National Tournament; and,

WHEREAS, The Sioux Falls Business Insurers softball team has been chosen to host this special event; and,

HEREAS, Roger Ritter, the tournament director, and William Maher, the State Amateur Softball Association Commissioner, deserve special recognition for their outstanding contributions to fastpitch softball, which have made this tournament a huge success:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of August 1 to August 7, 1983, as

SOFTBALL WEEK

in South Dakota, in honor of these young men, who have traveled from all over the nation, to compete in one of South Dakota's favorite summer sports, fastpitch softball.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of July, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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